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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER October was considerably warmer than usual. Average temperatures ranged from slightly above normal over the northwestern corner of the State to more than 6° above in the southeastern corner. The month was very dry over the Panhandle, where large areas received no precipitation of consequence. Elsewhere the precipitation averaged only slightly below normal, except over the north-central and central portions of the State, where most stations received a little more than normal precipitation. The month was very dry until the last few days, when most of the precipitation occurred.

Cold weather prevailed during the first half of the week, with hard freezing over the western portion of the State Tuesday morning, and over the entire State Thursday morning. This was the first hard freeze of the season over the eastern portion of the State, and the first freezing temperature of the season at several southeastern and extreme east-central localities. Unseasonably warm weather prevailed during the latter half of the week. There was considerable wind movement, almost full sunshine and humidity was low during the latter part of the week.

CROPS Winter wheat improved slightly in much of the wheat areas South of the Platte River since moisture was received. High winds blew most of the snow off winter wheat fields in the Panhandle. Moisture received last week followed by that of the previous week in the eastern third of the State improved the condition of winter wheat. More moisture is needed throughout the State. The condition of rye improved slightly during the past week.

All but 12% of the corn harvest is completed. The percentages of corn harvested in the leading districts are as follows: Northeast, 56%; Central, 89%; East-central, 97%; Southwest, 71%; South central, 91%; Southeast, 55%. The snow storm delayed harvesting in the Panhandle and North central Nebraska. Yields of corn are slightly better than expected. More than the usual amount of gleaning was done due to previous dry weather and high winds causing the corn to drop to the ground.

There is no change in the indicated yield of grain sorghum. The yield of soybeans is slightly higher than that indicated a month ago.

The sugar beet harvest is nearly completed. The sugar content is above the average. The yield of dry edible beans is slightly below previous expectations. The yield of potatoes was slightly larger than that of a year ago. The shipments of 506 cars are slightly above shipments a year ago this date.

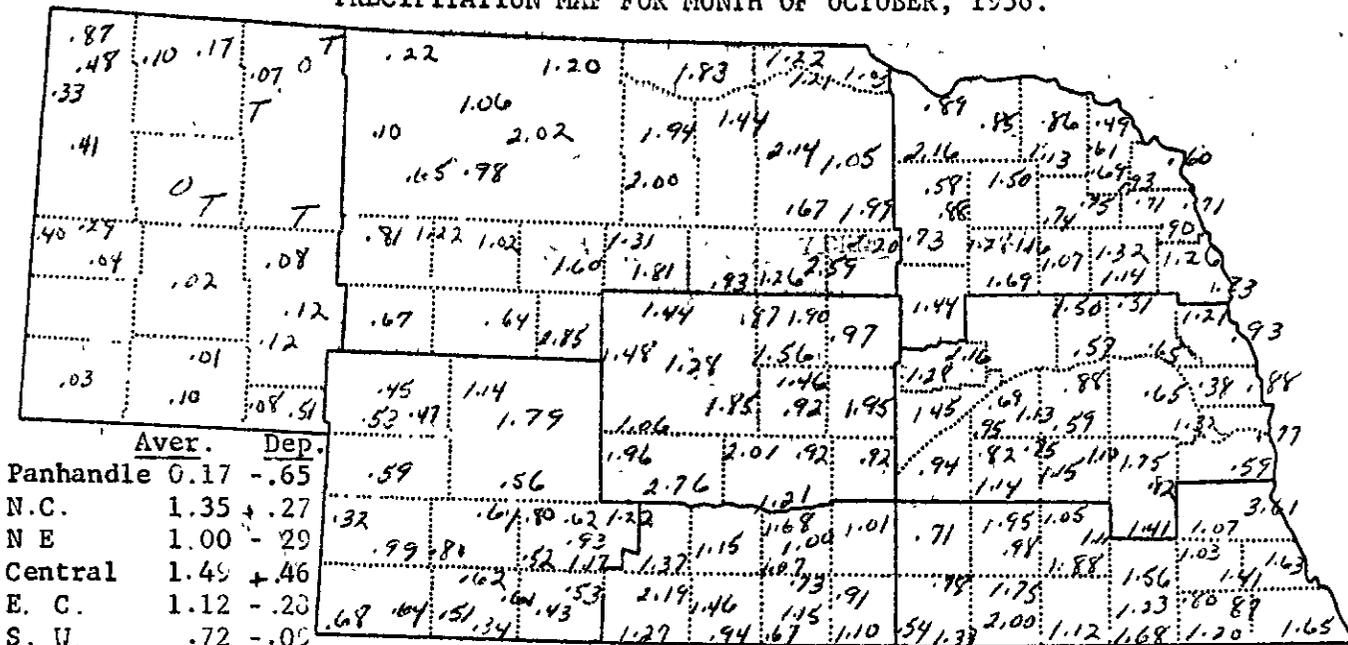
The moisture of the past weeks was too late to improve the pastures. However, it improved the quality of the range feed, making it more palatable. Dry weather causes the range feed to become quite brittle and some of it was broken off. Moisture was of considerable benefit in the Sandhills. Shipments of hay have been quite large in some areas. Reports indicate shortages of feed in some areas.

LIVESTOCK Lack of feed has caused more than the usual amount of marketings of livestock. Prices of eggs are still very low and unsatisfactory. Cattle on feed are below that of a year ago but numbers were larger than expected under the shortage of feed and grain.

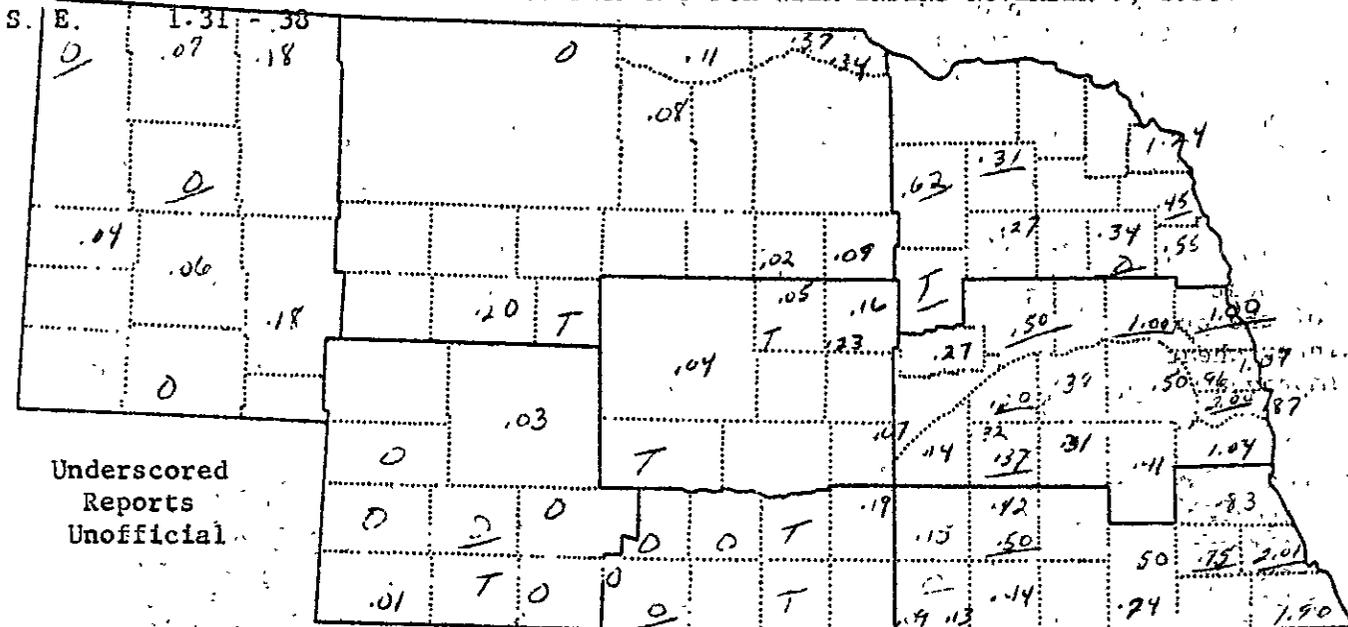
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 12, 1956

<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island 0	Burwell .02	Chadron 0
Lincoln 0	North Platte 0	Imperial .06
Norfolk .01	Valentine 0	Scottsbluff 0
Omaha .01		Sidney 0
Sioux City 0		

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1956.



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 9, 1956.



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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		November													
		6th		7th		8th		9th		10th		11th		12th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	31	10	46	30	35	8	39	23	40	31	53	36	52	22
	Scottsbluff	31	9	47	33	36	10	40	20	57	29	65	34	58	24
	Sidney	36	12	44	31	35	10	39	26	51	32	60	41	60	26
NC	Burwell	50	25	51	30	42	16	45	26	61	25	72	33	64	25
	Valentine	41	22	45	33	36	14	49	24	57	31	54	34	54	23
NE	Norfolk	46	34	51	35	40	23	46	23	57	27	70	34	66	32
	Sioux City	45	39	51	38	41	22	41	28	50	27	65	41	61	34
CEN	Grand Island	47	26	53	31	45	21	44	28	62	32	73	38	70	28
	Lincoln	48	32	54	36	44	25	44	31	59	32	69	42	71	37
EC	Omaha	46	37	46	35	42	22	39	25	53	30	65	39	67	31
	Imperial	39	17	44	31	40	16	44	26	55	31	63	38	64	26
SW	North Platte	43	21	52	33	42	12	44	20	58	25	67	25	64	27

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